



Christ Church Anglican, Mexico City  
Morning Prayer, Rite II  
The Second Sunday of Easter  
April 11, 2021

**Organ Prelude**

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Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
*The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!*

**Opening Antiphon**

On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it. *Psalm 228:24*

**The Invitatory and Psalter**

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.  
*People* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

*Officiant and People*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as  
 it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

**Antiphon (Together)**

Alleluia. The Lord has risen indeed: come let us adore him. Alleluia.

**Invitatory Psalm (Together)****Christ our Passover***Pascha nostrum*

*1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22*

Alleluia.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; \*  
 therefore let us keep the feast,  
 Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, \*  
 but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; \*  
 death no longer has dominion over him.  
 The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; \*

but the life he lives, he lives to God.  
 So also consider yourselves dead to sin, \*  
 and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ has been raised from the dead, \*  
 the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.  
 For since by a man came death, \*  
 by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.  
 For as in Adam all die, \*  
 so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

## **The Psalm Appointed (Sung - Together)**

### **Psalm 133**

*Ecce, quam bonum!*

- 1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, \*  
 when brethren live together in unity!
- 2 It is like fine oil upon the head \*  
 that runs down upon the beard,
- 3 Upon the beard of Aaron, \*  
 and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
- 4 It is like the dew of Hermon \*  
 that falls upon the hills of Zion.
- 5 For there the LORD has ordained the blessing: \*  
 life for evermore.

## **The Lessons**

### **The First Reading: Acts 4:32-35**

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the

proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*Answer:* Thanks be to God.

## ***Responsory Cantic***

### **13 A Song of Praise**

*Benedictus es, Domine, S236*

- 1 Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers;  
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
- 2 Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
- 3 Glory to you in the splendor of your temple;  
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.
- 4 Glory to you, seated between the cherubim;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
- 5 Glory to you, beholding the depths;  
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
- 6 Glory to you Father, Son, and, Holy Spirit;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

### **The Second Reading: 1 John 1:1-2:2**

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life – this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us – we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship

with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

### *Responsory Canticle*

#### **21 You are God**

*Te Deum laudamus, S282*

You are God: we praise you;  
 You are the Lord; we acclaim you;  
 You are the eternal Father:  
 All creation worships you.  
 To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,  
 Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:  
     Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
     heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
 The glorious company of apostles praise you.  
 The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.  
 The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.  
 Throughout the world the holy Church acclaim you;  
     Father, of majesty unbounded,  
     your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,  
     and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

You, Christ, are the king of glory,  
 the eternal Son of the Father.

When you became man to set us free  
 you did not shun the Virgin's womb.  
 You overcame the sting of death  
 and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.  
 You are seated at God's right hand in glory.  
 We believe that you will come and be our judge.  
 Come then, Lord, and help your people,  
 bought with the price of your own blood,  
 and bring us with your saints  
 to glory everlasting.

### Sequence Hymn

Hymnal 1982, No. 180 vs. 1,4

- 1 He is risen, he is risen!  
 Tell it out with joyful voice:  
 he has burst his three days' prison;  
 let the whole wide earth rejoice;  
 death is conquered, we are free,  
 Christ has won the victory.
  
- 4 He is risen, he is risen!  
 He hath opened heaven's gate:  
 we are free from sin's dark prison,  
 risen to a holier state;  
 and a brighter Easter beam  
 on our longing eyes shall stream.

### The Gospel: John 20:19-31

*All standing as able, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying,*

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord according to John.

*People:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus

said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

*After the Gospel, the Reader says*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## **Sermon – The Rev. Tamara Newell**

### **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.  
 On the third day he rose again.  
 He ascended into heaven,  
     and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
 He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the holy catholic Church,  
 the communion of saints,  
 the forgiveness of sins,  
 the resurrection of the body,  
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

## **The Prayers**

*Officiant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And also with you.

*Officiant:* Let us pray.

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
     hallowed be thy Name,  
     thy kingdom come,  
     thy will be done,  
         on earth as it is in heaven.  
 Give us this day our daily bread.  
 And forgive us our trespasses,  
     as we forgive those  
         who trespass against us.  
 And lead us not into temptation,  
     but deliver us from evil.  
 For thine is the kingdom,  
     and the power, and the glory,  
     for ever and ever. Amen.

**Suffrages A** (Book of Common Prayer [BCP], pp.97-98.)

V(erse). Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
 R(espone). And grant us your salvation.  
 V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
 R. Let your people sing with joy.  
 V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
 R. For only in you can we live in safety.  
 V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
 R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.  
 V. Let your way be known upon earth;  
 R. Your saving health among all nations.  
 V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
 R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.  
 V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
 R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

### **Collect for the Second Sunday of Easter**

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### **A Collect for Sundays**

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **A Collect for the Renewal of Life**

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## A Collect for Peace

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen.*

## The Prayers of the People

Dear People of God: this Easter season we celebrate the triumph of life in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Let us therefore pray that we and all of creation may be renewed with life, as we respond to each petition in the words, *Risen Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the church throughout the world, especially for: Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Enrique, our primate; Carlos, our bishop emeritus; Susan and Germán, clergy in this parish, and our seminarians Adrián and Antonio, that by their ministries the gospel of new life may be proclaimed with boldness and clarity.

In your mercy: *Risen Lord, hear our prayer.*

For our wardens, Jennifer and Carolina, and all our Vestry.

In your mercy: *Risen Lord, hear our prayer.*

For our Search Committee, that they may find a faithful pastor who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries.

In your mercy: *Risen Lord, hear our prayer.*

For all members of this community of faith, that by your Spirit we may daily grow in grace, dying to sin and rising to new life throughout our journey of faith.

In your mercy: *Risen Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the leaders of the world, and especially for the leaders of this city and country of Mexico, that they would be guided in all their undertakings by a vision of the new creation, and work to bring justice and peace.

In your mercy: *Risen Lord, hear our prayer.*

For those living under the cloud of war, that the ways of tyranny, hatred, and extremism may be supplanted by your ways of cooperation and justice.

In your mercy: *Risen Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the forgiveness of our sins, that we may be renewed and strengthened to do your will in all that we undertake.

In your mercy: *Risen Lord, hear our prayer.*

For all those facing trouble or adversity: the lonely and the aged, the oppressed and the forgotten, the imprisoned and the persecuted, the unemployed, the destitute, the victims of natural disasters, and all who suffer in any way from Covid 19, that the promise of Christ's presence and the hope of resurrection would bring them peace and strength.

In your mercy: *Risen Lord, hear our prayer.*

For all who are suffering from sickness in body, mind, or spirit, especially: Esther, Missy, Mina, Guillermo, Luz María, Monique, Irasema, Elizabeth, Cruz, Fernando, Yvette, Louise, Jessica, Ned, Susie, Tammy, Jeanne, Raquel, Jeremy, Fr. Germán, Olivia, Lorraine, Humberto, Tina, Paul, Eloy, Irma, John, María Elena, and Michael Stevenson, that they may find solace and comfort in the hope of the resurrection.

In your mercy: *Risen Lord, hear our prayer.*

We give thanks for all the blessings that enrich our lives, especially for all essential workers, medical staff, our choir, the jacarandas, and researchers.

In your mercy: *Risen Lord, hear our prayer.*

For our families, and friends, and for all whose lives are linked with ours, especially those who are celebrating birthdays: Marcelino, Nohemi and Chris, that their trust in you may be strengthened and that as they begin another year they may grow in wisdom and in grace.

In your mercy: *Risen Lord, hear our prayer.*

For those who have died, especially: Papá Toñito, Julio, Jim, Janet, Maureen, David, Sam, Nancy, Martha, Rafael, Josefina, Heather, and Janet, that by your victory over death they may go from strength to strength in the life of perfect service in your heavenly kingdom.

In your mercy: *Risen Lord hear our prayer.*

## **The General Thanksgiving**

*Officiant and People*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
 we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
 for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
 to us and to all whom you have made.  
 We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
 and all the blessings of this life;  
 but above all for your immeasurable love  
 in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
 for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
 And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
 that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
 not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
 by giving up ourselves to your service,  
 and by walking before you  
 in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
 to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
 be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

### **A Prayer of St. Chrysostom**

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

*Then may be said*

Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia.  
*Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen. Ephesians 3:20,21*

**Flowers today are given to the Glory of God.**

**Birthdays this week:**

Marcelino Cárdenas (13), Nohemi Molina (14), Chris Stephens (17).

**Please e-mail any special petitions** for inclusion in the next Sunday's Prayers of the People by 5 p.m. on Monday to parish secretary Mary Rosa Casar at:

[office@christchurch.mx](mailto:office@christchurch.mx)

**When you pay your pledge** or make any financial donation online, please inform our parish accountant Edgar Gómez at [accountant@christchurch.mx](mailto:accountant@christchurch.mx) or by telephone at the parish office, 55 5202-0949 or 55 5520-3763.

Just whodunnit can number among the mysteries in this, our dear and magical, country. Help us, and Edgar, out.

**Cuando pague su promesa** o haga cualquier tipo de donación financiera, favor de informar al contador de nuestra parroquia, Edgar Gómez, al mail [accountant@christchurch.mx](mailto:accountant@christchurch.mx) o a los teléfonos de la oficina de la parroquia, 55 5202-0949 o 55 5520-3763.

Aquellos que ya lo hicieron pueden enumerar los problemas que han tenido en nuestro querido y fabuloso país. Ayúdenos y a Edgar también.

**Help Update Our Parish Directory**

Our parish directory is a mess, and we need all our members' help in updating it.

Please send your current e-mail address, and home and cell telephone numbers to parish secretary Mary Rosa Casar at [office@christchurch.mx](mailto:office@christchurch.mx)(.) Or call her at the church office: 55 5202-0949 or 55 5520-3763.

If you wish, include the name(s) of your spouse or partner or children. Ditto if you want to indicate your nationality.

If you were recently contacted to verify your information, please disregard the above, and keep reading.

Please take the time to call or otherwise pass on this request to any church members who either don't use e-mail or whose contact information you know or suspect might have changed. And ask them to do the same. You might also check to see if someone saw this.

All information will be protected in conformity with the privacy laws and regulations of Mexico and Mexico City.

### **Por Favor Ayuden a Actualizar el Directorio de Nuestra Parroquia**

Nuestro directorio de la parroquia tiene información muy antigua y por lo mismo no podemos contactar a todos los feligreses de la iglesia. Necesitamos de su ayuda para actualizarlo. Por favor manden su correo electrónico actual, el teléfono de su casa y de su celular a la secretaria parroquial Mary Rosa Casar al correo [office@christchurch.mx](mailto:office@christchurch.mx) o comuníquense con ella a la oficina de la iglesia: 55 5202-0949 ó 55 5520-3763.

Si usted quiere, puede incluir los nombres de su esposa, compañera, o hijos. Si quiere, puede dar su nacionalidad.

En caso de haber sido contactado recientemente para verificar su información, por favor haga caso omiso y continúe leyendo.

Por favor llame y si puede pase esta petición a cualquiera de los feligreses quienes no tienen correo electrónico o a quienes se han cambiado y no han actualizado sus datos. Y también pídale hacer lo mismo para hacer una gran cadena y tener la información que se necesita. Usted también podría preguntarles a los feligreses si han leído esta información.

Toda la información está protegida en conformidad con las leyes de privacidad de México y la Ciudad de México.

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Our customary gatherings remain suspended due to the Covid-19 pandemic. In normal times, we celebrate Eucharist on Sundays in English at 8:30 a.m. in the Lady Chapel, in the church proper at 10:30 a.m. (with music), and in Spanish at 12:30 p.m., with all welcome to all services.

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